

## FOSTER MAY BE U. S. DELEGATE TO PEACE MEET

President Is Considering Naming Former Secretary of State.

Washington, D. C., May 8.—President Wilson found time in the midst of wedding preliminary festivities at the White House today to confer with secretaries of state Bryan for a few minutes on the Mexican crisis, with particular reference to mediation.

Secretary Bryan announced after the conference that American delegates to advise with the South American mediators had not yet been selected, but that a representative or representatives would be designated. Whether there would be more than one American delegate is still undecided, the secretary said.

It was reported in diplomatic circles that John W. Foster, former secretary of state, is being considered, among others, to represent this country. Mr. Foster was minister to Mexico in the late '70s.

PRINCE OF TECK WILL BE CANADA'S GOVERNOR GENERAL

London, Eng., May 8.—Prince Alexander of Teck, third son of the duke of Teck, is to succeed the duke of Connaught as governor general of Canada. Official announcement of this appointment was made today. Prince Alexander is 40 years old. He was married in 1901 to her royal highness, princess Alice of Albany and has one son and one daughter.

## SUPPOSED RICH MAN DIES IN POVERTY

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., May 8.—Dr. Boris Banoff, a Russian, supposed to be a millionaire, and owner of valuable silver mining concessions in Mexico, died in a local hospital early this morning, an object of charity.

Driven out of Mexico by the revolution, Banoff, who claimed intimate relations with President Diaz, came to Albuquerque a year ago. He spent money lavishly, his health failed and he went to a hospital when it was found he was penniless.

His wife, who lives in Fort Worth, Texas, sent him, while in the hospital, silk pajamas and a jeweled scarf pin, but no money.

SEVEN JURORS CHOSEN FOR TRIAL OF BECKER

New York, May 8.—Two more jurors bringing the number up to seven, were chosen today at the trial of the former police lieutenant, Charles Becker, for the murder of Herman Rosenthal. The sixth man in the box was Dwight W. Custer, a retired printer; the seventh was Ambrose Farley, a clerk.

Many intensions were accepted by the district attorney only to be challenged by counsel for the defense if Becker shook his head.

FEDERALS AND REBELS THREATEN OIL OPERATORS

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Disquieting news was received at the British embassy from Tampico, both federals and rebels threaten to interfere with the British and American oil operations who were returning to the oil districts to resume operations under the promise of protection from both sides.

The Mexicans have notified the British commander that no one will be allowed to land unless all warships are withdrawn. Instructions have been sent to the returning operatives not to attempt landing at any port unless instructed by the British commander on the spot.

CHILD DROWNED IN IRRIGATION DITCH

Mesa, Ariz., May 8.—Toddler, unnamed, died in an irrigation ditch, Vernon, 15 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Thomas, who live on the Van Meter ranch, northwest of Mesa, was drowned. An hour after he disappeared his body was pulled from the ditch by Bailey Herring. The child was hurried to Mesa, where a pulmoner was employed, but he was dead.

TO PROTECT HUNGARIANS IN COLORADO COAL FIELDS

Budapest, Hungary, May 8.—The death of two Hungarians during the recent strike disorders in Colorado was mentioned in the congress, the debate on the foreign office estimates before the foreign affairs committee of the Hungarian parliament.

Count Bethold, the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, informed the committee that the Austro-Hungarian ambassador at Washington, Dr. Dumba, had been instructed to take energetic steps for the protection of the legitimate interests of Hungarians in the United States.

ARIZONA OBSERVATORY FINDS WATER VAPOR ON PLANET MARS

Boston, Mass., May 8.—The theory of the existence of water vapor on the planet Mars was confirmed by spectrograms taken at Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., according to an announcement given out by Dr. Percival Lowell from his office here. The statement says that while the amount of water is difficult to determine the existence of it is about one-tenth that of the atmosphere of the earth.

RESOLUTION WOULD PERMIT INCREASE IN U. S. ARMY

Washington, D. C., May 8.—A resolution that would permit the president to increase the regular army above the 100,000 statutory limitation, was introduced in the house today by chairman Chamberlain of the military affairs committee.

The resolution recites that "at the present time there exists a condition which may at any moment require the fullest and most effective use of the regular army of the United States."

SILVER CITY EDUCATOR IS GOING TO EAST LAS VEGAS

Silver City, N. M., May 8.—Prof. T. O. Rogers, of the city of the New Mexico normal school, has resigned and will become head of the department of science at New Mexico normal university, at East Las Vegas, to which position he has been elected. Prof. Rogers is an educator of excellent reputation, and the Las Vegas position is in the nature of an advancement for him.

WEYERHAEUSER'S ESTATE IS VALUED AT \$875,000

St. Paul, Minn., May 8.—In a petition for the approving of Frederick Weyerhaeuser's will, filed today, an approximate value of only \$875,000 is put on the estate of the St. Paul lumberman, who died at Pasadena, Calif., April 4. He was reputed to have been one of the wealthiest men in the nation.

VERACRUZ FAIRLY HEALTHY, IS THE REPORT

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Some smallpox prevails, but the city is fairly healthy at present, is the substance of a cable received by the Red Cross from Charles Jenkinson, its representative, who has just arrived at Veracruz and taken charge of relief operations.

COTTON SEED AND BULLS FROM MEXICO ARE BARRED

Cotton seed and bulls will not be admitted through the El Paso port from Mexico, Section 2274 of the treasury department decision prohibits the importation into the United States of cotton seed or bulls because of the danger from the boll weevil.

YALETA AUTO CLUB CHARTERED

Austin, Texas, May 8.—A charter has been granted to the Yaleta Automobile club of Yaleta, El Paso county. There is no stock. Its purpose is the establishment and maintenance of an automobile club. The incorporators are N. V. Mitchell, J. M. Duran and O. B. Eads.

CABRERA ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

Attorney Louis Cabrera, legal adviser to Carranza, who has been on a diplomatic mission to Paris, has arrived in New York and will go to Washington, according to reports received Thursday in Juarez by H. Perez Abreu, of the office of information.

## BELIEVES MASSON DROPPED BOMBS

San Diego, Cal., May 8.—Lieut. Roy C. Kirland, U. S. A., in charge of the army aviation camp at North Island, believes the Mexican bomber who dropped a bomb on the coast, according to recent press accounts, have three monoplanes suitable for scout and bomb throwing purposes.

FIRE CHIEF STAYS; CITY OFFICIALS NAMED

Phoenix, Ariz., May 8.—Peter H. Sullivan succeeds himself as chief of the Phoenix fire department, having been appointed by manager W. A. Farish. Herbert J. Mann succeeds J. St. Creighton as building inspector and Roy B. Dodge succeeds George Copen as electrical inspector.

Farish offered the position of building inspector to Roy A. Gray, but Gray declined.

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